

## House Resolution No. 965

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened by the death of lifelong Kansas City resident William H. Petrie, on Sunday, March 16, 2003, at the far-too-young age of forty-eight; and

**Whereas**, a man of considerable promise and accomplishments, Bill Petrie was born on May 3, 1954, in Kansas City; graduated from Center High School in 1972 and from the IBEW/NECA Electrical Apprenticeship program in 1978; attended St. Thomas More Catholic Church; and worked as a journeyman electrician until 1997 when he became a Business Agent for IBEW Local Union 124; and

**Whereas**, Bill Petrie served IBEW Local Union 124 as Vice President from 1993 to 1996 and as President from 1996 to 1999; and

**Whereas**, active in politics for a number of years, Bill Petrie was tapped in January 2000 to fill a vacancy as the Second District At-Large Representative to the Jackson County Legislature, a position which he filled responsibly, enthusiastically, and conscientiously; to which he was re-elected in November 2002; and through which he ensured the timely construction of a new public works facility in eastern Jackson County, fought for fair wages, and provided thoughtful input during the audit of a jail-construction project; and

**Whereas**, Bill Petrie was active in Democratic Party activities, youth baseball and soccer, and volunteer work for numerous community causes, including Christmas in October; and

**Whereas**, known as an unselfish man, Bill Petrie devoted himself tirelessly and compassionately to the ever-important fund-raising labors of the Muscular Dystrophy Association, for which he assisted in annual Telethons in the steadfast hope of eliminating a medical scourge from human experience; and

**Whereas**, Bill Petrie is survived by a loving, generous family made up of his beloved wife of twenty-three years, Marcia; their son, Will, and daughters, Teresa and Katherine; his parents, Jack and Margaret "Bobbie" Petrie; his siblings, Jim and wife Kathy Petrie, Dan Petrie, Nancy and husband Barry Immele, Margaret and husband Gary Kluck, and Rob and wife Tracey Petrie; and eight nieces and nephews:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of the late Bill Petrie and to convey to his many family members, friends, constituents, and colleagues this legislative body's most sincere condolences at the loss of his considerable light and warmth in their daily lives; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in respectful memory of Jackson County Legislator William H. Petrie of Kansas City.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Cathy Jolly  
District No. 45

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 965, adopted March 19, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker